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INTRODUCTION

In December of each year, the Manitoba Bureau of Statistics conducts a Food Prices Monitoring Survey in a number of Manitoba communities. Geographically, the survey includes Winnipeg and Brandon in southern Manitoba as well as a number of communities in northern Manitoba.

The survey's objective is to collect, tabulate and disseminate current information on the cost of food items in the form of average commodity prices as well as comparisons to Winnipeg.

Table 1 presents the spatial indices for the 16 Manitoba communities in the December 1986 survey. The indices are based on a matched brand sample, and weighted with the present Consumer Price Index food weights for Winnipeg. Each of the communities is compared to base Winnipeg.

Table 2 presents the average prices of a subset of the food basket for selected communities. Where possible, like brands have been used in the communities.

Table 3 presents the spatial indices for the 18 Manitoba communities surveyed in 1985.

A spatial index is a place-to-place comparison of prices at a particular point in time. In the MBS survey, the reference community is Winnipeg. Thus, calculated spatial indices present the relative price differential between an individual community and Winnipeg.

A Winnipeg weighting diagram is used for all communities. This assumes that residents in the communities have a similar food consumption pattern as Winnipeg residents. Chart 1 in the appendix presents a graphical display of the various group weights used in the calculation of the spatial indices for each community.

TABLE 1

FOOD FOR HOME CONSUMPTION
SPATIAL RETAIL PRICE INDICES
FOR SELECTED MANITOBA COMMUNITIES
DECEMBER 1986

	BRANDON	CHURCHILL	CROSS LAKE	FLIN FLON	GILLAM	GOD'S LAKE NARROWS	GRAND RAPIDS	ISLAND LAKE
				WINNIPEG = 100				
DAIRY PRODUCTS	101.1	139.1	127.9	114.9	110.3	182.9	124.7	184.9
CEREAL & BAKERY PRODUCTS	102.2	139.1	145.5	110.9	115.1	146.7	126.3	157.1
FATS & OILS	111.7	130.3	137.0	113.2	138.0	160.5	116.7	176.7
MEAT, POULTRY & FISH	119.0	130.7	149.8	114.6	123.5	128.5	142.7	163.3
Meat	122.9	134.0	160.0	116.2	128.3	131.8	145.2	169.4
Poultry	105.6	133.5	103.5	107.5	106.1	120.8	112.0	132.2
Fish	104.5	127.3	129.8	110.8	107.3	110.9	166.8	155.8
EGGS	129.7	189.1	145.5	169.0	153.1	198.4	182.7	197.5
FRUITS & VEGETABLES	114.2	176.4	173.1	139.5	162.9	233.9	144.1	232.7
Fresh Fruit	121.7	158.1	175.7	150.4	167.2	272.5	162.5	257.1
Processed Fruit	106.5	148.9	144.0	128.3	143.3	202.5	133.9	191.4
Fresh Vegetables	114.5	224.5	192.6	141.1	152.9	226.1	128.6	246.8
Processed Vegetables	109.7	145.8	154.2	117.1	140.6	177.6	141.3	176.9
FROZEN FOODS	109.3	158.8	136.8	128.3	154.6	172.5	137.3	179.2
DISHES & SNACKS	99.0	143.8	160.6	139.1	151.8	208.6	113.1	209.0
OTHER FOODS	107.8	138.7	142.6	123.9	139.5	160.7	123.8	165.3
BEVERAGES	113.1	140.1	146.7	125.9	139.3	161.0	138.6	156.8
COMMUNITY INDEX	111.5	144.5	148.6	121.8	132.0	166.8	136.0	179.5

DATA SOURCE: MANITOBA BUREAU OF STATISTICS
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(1) SPATIAL FOOD INDICES:

Spatial Food Indices were produced for sixteen Manitoba communities in 1986. The community food indexes range from a low of 111.5 in Brandon to 179.5 for Island Lake. Brandon is the only community that has an index lower than 120.

Four communities have indices in the 120's. They are Thompson at 121.0, Flin Flon at 121.8, The Pas at 129.6 and Norway House at 129.8.

Seven communities have indices between 130 and 140: Gillam at 132.0, Sundance at 132.9, Wabowden at 135.0, Grand Rapids at 136.0, Lynn Lake at 136.1, Leaf Rapids at 136.6 and Snow Lake at 137.3.

Churchill and Cross Lake have indices of 144.5 and 148.6 respectively, while the remote north eastern communities of God's Lake Narrows and Island Lake had indices of 166.8 and 179.5 respectively.

BRANDON:

Brandon, with an index of 111.5, has group indices ranging from 99.0 for the Dishes and Snacks group to 129.7 for Eggs. The Meat, Poultry and Fish group, with an index of 119.0 carries a group weight of 30.7% of the total food basket while the Fruits and Vegetables group, with an index of 114.2 carries 17.4% of the total food basket. These two groups account for 8.3 (72.2%) of the 11.5 points that Brandon is higher than Winnipeg.

COMMUNITIES WITH INDICES OF 120.0 TO 129.9

In the 4 communities with this index level range, Eggs, the Fruits and Vegetables group, and the Dishes and Snacks group are consistently amongst the four highest groups. The Frozen Foods group is also relatively high for all communities except Thompson. The Dairy Products group and the Cereal and Bakery Products group are consistently the two lowest indices for these communities except in Flin Flon where the Fats and Oils group replaces the Dairy Products group.

Thompson had an index of 121.0 with group indices ranging from 105.1 for the Dairy Products group to 134.1 for the Dishes and Snacks group. The Fruits and Vegetables group and Eggs were also high at 133.8. The Meat, Poultry and Fish group was fourth highest at 125.4. These four groups account for 14.7 (70.0%) of the 21.0 points that Thompson is higher than Winnipeg.

TABLE 1: (continued)

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	LEAF RAPIDS	LYNN LAKE	NORWAY HOUSE	SNOW LAKE	SUNDANCE	THE PAS	THOMPSON	WABOWDEN
				WINNIPEG = 100				
DAIRY PRODUCTS	122.2	129.0	115.1	119.5	119.1	117.2	105.1	119.2
CEREAL & BAKERY PRODUCTS	133.2	132.5	118.9	121.0	126.6	120.0	112.7	122.5
FATS & OILS	118.8	137.0	125.6	132.7	132.2	122.5	116.6	143.6
MEAT, POULTRY & FISH	129.8	129.2	119.6	129.6	124.3	133.1	125.4	134.6
Meat	133.4	132.0	123.1	133.3	127.9	138.0	128.9	141.5
Poultry	111.4	118.3	98.1	106.9	99.9	112.8	113.6	102.1
Fish	126.7	120.4	120.7	131.4	129.2	119.6	112.1	122.5
EGGS	171.9	209.1	149.0	165.5	197.7	162.3	133.8	163.3
FRUITS & VEGETABLES	159.4	147.4	157.2	172.8	152.5	138.1	133.8	144.6
Fresh Fruit	160.8	156.4	168.3	204.0	186.3	153.9	140.1	150.3
Processed Fruit	134.4	142.2	130.7	135.2	129.3	121.1	109.4	136.4
Fresh Vegetables	180.3	142.0	166.5	168.5	136.6	131.2	144.3	147.8
Processed Vegetables	135.3	143.8	135.0	139.3	120.9	129.8	120.3	129.8
FROZEN FOODS	134.1	126.1	146.4	171.7	124.8	140.5	118.7	164.0
DISHES & SNACKS	163.2	162.1	153.2	155.1	159.5	146.5	134.1	152.4
OTHER FOODS	126.7	137.1	134.1	133.8	141.4	127.0	118.3	131.6
BEVERAGES	148.4	138.9	136.6	130.5	135.8	127.3	118.7	144.9
COMMUNITY INDEX	136.6	136.1	129.8	137.3	132.9	129.6	121.0	135.0

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Flin Flon, with a community index of 121.8 had group indices ranging from 110.9 for the Cereal and Bakery Products group to 169.0 for Eggs. The Fruits and Vegetables group index of 139.5 is the cause of 6.9 (31.6%) points of the 21.8 points that Flin Flon is higher than base Winnipeg. In particular, the Fresh Fruit sub-group at 150.4 and Fresh Vegetables sub-group at 141.1 are the reasons that the group index is high.

The Pas and Norway House have indices of 129.6 and 129.8 respectively. Eggs, Fruits and Vegetables, Frozen Foods, and Dishes and Snacks are the four highest indices in both communities, while Dairy Products and Cereal and Bakery Products are the lowest indices for both. Group indices range from 117.2 to 162.3 in The Pas while in Norway House they range from 115.1 to 157.2.

COMMUNITIES WITH INDICES OF 130.0 TO 139.9

Gillam and Sundance have indices of 132.0 and 132.9 respectively. Gillam group indices range from 110.3 for the Dairy Products group to 162.9 for the Fruits and Vegetables group. The Fruits and Vegetables group accounts for 11 of the 32 points that Gillam is higher than Winnipeg. Sundance group indices range from 119.1 for the Dairy Products group to 197.7 for Eggs.

Lynn Lake and Leaf Rapids have indices of 136.1 and 136.6 respectively. Lynn Lake has group indices ranging from 126.1 for the Frozen Foods group to 209.1 for Eggs. The second highest group index is the Dishes and Snacks group at 162.1 followed by the Fruits and Vegetables group at 147.4. Leaf Rapids has group indices ranging from 118.8 for the Fats and Oils group to 171.9 for Eggs. Dishes and Snacks is the second highest group at 163.2 and Fruits and Vegetables third highest at 159.4.

Wabowden, Grand Rapids and Snow Lake have indices of 135.0, 136.0 and 137.3 respectively. The Wabowden group indices range from 119.2 for the Dairy Products group to 164.0 for the Frozen Foods group. The Grand Rapids indices ranged from 113.1 for the Dishes and Snacks group to 182.7 for Eggs. The Fruits and Vegetables index of 144.1 was the second highest and the Meat, Poultry and Fish index of 142.7 was the third highest. These three groups account for 22.3 (61.9%) of the 36.0 points that Grand Rapids is higher than Winnipeg. Snow Lake's group indices range from 119.5 for the Dairy Products group to 172.8 for the Fruits and Vegetables group.

For the seven communities with indices between 130 and 139.9, the Dairy Products group had the lowest index five out of seven times. Also of interest was that the Fruits and Vegetables group as well as Eggs were consistently among the highest group indices.

COMMUNITIES WITH INDICES OF 140 OR HIGHER

There are four communities in this group: Churchill with an index of 144.5, Cross Lake with an index of 148.6, God's Lake Narrows with an index of 166.8 and Island Lake with an index of 179.5. The group indices for Churchill range from 130.3 for the Fats and Oils group to 189.1 for Eggs. The Meat, Poultry and Fish group was second lowest at 130.7. The Fruits and Vegetables group is second highest at 176.4 and contributes 13.3 (29.9%) of the 44.5 points that Churchill is higher than Winnipeg. Cross Lake, with an index of 148.6 has group indices that range from 127.9 for the Dairy Products group to 173.1 for the Fruits and Vegetables group.

God's Lake Narrows has group indices ranging from 128.5 for the Meat, Poultry and Fish group to 233.9 for the Fruits and Vegetables group. This group accounts for 23.3 (34.9%) of the 66.8 points that God's Lake Narrows is higher than Winnipeg. Island Lake has group indices ranging from 156.8 for the Beverages group to 232.7 for the Fruits and Vegetables group.

For these communities, the Fruits and Vegetables group is consistently the highest or second highest group. The Meat, Poultry and Fish group is among the lowest except in Cross Lake where it is the third highest.

TABLE 2

FOOD FOR HOME CONSUMPTION
AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES
FOR SELECTED MANITOBA COMMUNITIES
DECEMBER 1986

	BRANDON	CHURCHILL	CROSS LAKE	FLIN FLON	GILLAM	GODS LAKE NARROWS	GRAND RAPIDS	ISLAND LAKE	LEAF RAPIDS
1L MILK-HOMOGENIZED	0.89	1.32	--	1.02	0.96	1.83	1.15	1.81	1.06
454G BUTTER	2.51	2.89	2.95	2.77	2.89	3.34	3.10	3.44	3.29
375G CHEESE-CHEDDAR-MEDIUM	4.19	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.75	--
525G CORN FLAKES	1.79	2.69	--	2.22	2.09	3.08	2.27	3.07	--
5KG FLOUR	--	6.71	--	--	6.50	--	--	--	--
500G MACARONI	1.14	1.07	--	1.29	--	1.78	1.30	1.75	1.33
454G BREAD-WHITE SLICED	0.79	--	--	--	--	--	1.30	--	1.10
1.36KG MARGARINE-BOXED	2.79	3.79	--	3.14	--	--	--	--	--
1L SALAD/COOKING OIL	3.06	3.80	--	3.01	3.28	4.57	3.35	3.69	3.47
KG ROUND STEAK-WHOLE BONELESS	9.02	--	9.29	7.05	--	--	8.65	9.59	8.99
KG BLADE ROAST-BLADE IN	5.03	5.49	--	4.39	--	6.82	--	7.79	5.65
KG GROUND BEEF-REGULAR	3.06	4.61	5.49	3.18	--	--	4.98	7.77	4.09
500G BACON-SLICED	4.24	3.07	4.49	3.99	--	--	--	--	--
KG PORK CHOPS-FAMILY PACK	6.01	--	5.99	6.79	5.99	--	6.00	6.32	6.09
500G SAUSAGES-PORK	3.39	2.77	--	2.49	3.39	--	--	--	--
450G WIENERS-REGULAR	2.69	2.69	2.69	2.34	2.59	--	--	--	2.59
340G LUNCHEON MEAT-CANNED	1.76	2.19	2.42	2.23	2.19	2.71	2.17	--	2.16
KG CHICKEN-WHOLE GR. A	4.26	5.27	4.49	4.97	4.39	5.46	4.42	5.82	4.29
213G SALMON-PINK	--	1.88	--	2.04	--	--	--	--	2.00
1 DOZ EGGS-LG. GR.A	1.28	1.83	1.51	1.62	1.50	2.01	1.75	2.01	1.65
KG ORANGES (138'S)	--	3.00	--	3.69	--	--	3.84	--	2.40
KG APPLES	1.74	2.58	--	1.88	2.06	2.82	--	1.97	2.40
398ML PEACHES-CANNED	1.14	1.52	1.52	1.39	--	--	--	1.90	--
1.36KG ORANGE JUICE-UNSWEETENED	2.19	2.89	--	2.29	--	3.78	--	--	--
4.54KG POTATOES-RED	2.19	--	--	2.84	2.59	6.19	2.19	6.12	--
HEAD LETTUCE	1.42	4.66	2.62	2.51	3.06	4.17	2.54	4.39	3.73
907G CARROTS-BAG	0.85	1.23	1.21	0.99	1.09	2.01	0.93	--	1.09
1.36KG ONIONS-COOKING	1.19	2.26	2.20	1.39	1.55	--	--	--	1.39
398ML PEAS-CANNED	0.82	1.15	1.19	1.05	1.09	--	--	--	1.13
398ML BAKED BEANS WITH PORK	0.83	1.27	--	1.04	1.15	1.61	--	--	1.27
KG POTATOES-FROZEN	1.62	--	--	1.88	2.00	2.86	2.05	2.80	1.89
225G MACARONI & CHEESE	0.67	0.80	0.99	0.76	--	1.07	0.85	1.06	--
284ML VEGETABLE SOUP	0.51	0.72	0.71	0.67	0.87	0.99	0.64	1.03	--
4KG SUGAR-WHITE	2.22	3.66	4.14	3.24	3.40	--	3.10	3.59	--
250ML JAM-STRAWBERRY	1.69	2.10	2.19	1.99	2.08	--	2.06	2.43	1.90
500G PEANUT BUTTER	2.21	2.66	--	4.83	2.73	3.29	--	2.99	2.26
170G COFFEE-INSTANT	--	7.76	--	7.34	9.64	7.54	9.63	--	9.94
284ML SOFT DRINKS-CANNED	0.59	0.75	0.85	0.65	0.70	0.95	0.75	0.90	0.80

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(2) AVERAGE FOOD PRICES:

Table 2 presents average retail prices for 38 items priced in seventeen Manitoba communities. These items are a subset of the food basket for these communities. Where possible, like brands have been used across communities: for this reason, average prices are not available in all communities for all food items.

One litre of homogenized milk ranges in price from $0.89 cents in Winnipeg and Brandon, to $1.32 in Churchill and to $1.83 in God's Lake Narrows. A pound of butter sold for $2.51 in Brandon, for $2.62 in Thompson, for $2.66 in Winnipeg and all the way up to $3.44 in Island Lake. One half kilogram of macaroni sold for $1.07 in Churchill, for $1.08 in Winnipeg and up to $1.75 and $1.78 in Island Lake and God's Lake Narrows. A 16 ounce loaf of white bread sold for $0.77 in Winnipeg, for $0.79 in Brandon and for $1.30 in Grand Rapids. One litre of salad/cooking oil sold for $2.69 in Winnipeg and for $4.57 in God's Lake Narrows, a 69.9% differential. A kilogram of regular ground beef sold for $1.94 in Winnipeg, for $3.06 in Brandon and for $4.84 in The Pas. A kilogram of pork chops - family pack - sold for $5.20 in Winnipeg and for a high or $7.95 in The Pas. One kilogram of chicken ranged in price from $3.91 in Thompson to $5.82 in Island Lake: its Winnipeg price was $4.22.

The price for a dozen eggs went from $0.98 in Winnipeg to $2.07 in Lynn Lake. Apples ranged from $1.52 per kilogram in Winnipeg to $2.82 in God's Lake Narrows. Ten pounds of potatoes cost $1.89 in Winnipeg, $2.19 in Brandon and up to over $6 in remote communities. A 2-lb bag of carrots sold for $0.74 in Winnipeg, for $0.85 in Brandon and up to $2.01 in God's Lake Narrows. A kilogram of frozen potatoes sold for $1.49 in Winnipeg, $1.56 in Thompson, $1.62 in Brandon, $1.69 in The Pas and $1.88 in Flin Flon.

Macaroni and Cheese dinners retailed for $0.59 in Winnipeg, $0.66 in Thompson and up to $1.08 in Island Lake. A ten ounce tin of vegetable soup sold for $0.49 in Winnipeg, $0.51 in Brandon and up to more than one dollar in remote communities. A 250 ml container of strawberry jam costs $1.68 in Winnipeg, $1.69 in Brandon and up to $2.43 in Island Lake. A ten ounce soft drink tin costs $0.55 in Winnipeg, $0.59 in Brandon and up to $0.95 in God's Lake Narrows.

There are only two communities, Thompson and Winnipeg that have prices for all the 38 items priced. Summing these items yields totals of $106.08 for Thompson and $86.53 for Winnipeg. This same basket, with the quantities listed in the table, would therefore cost 22.6% more in Thompson than in Winnipeg. Table 4 contains the comparable average food prices for the communities surveyed in 1985.

TABLE 2: (continued)

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	LYNN LAKE	NORWAY HOUSE	SNOW LAKE	SUNDANCE	THE PAS	THOMPSON	WABOWDEN	WINNIPEG
1L MILK-HOMOGENIZED	1.15	--	1.07	1.03	1.08	0.93	1.00	0.89
454G BUTTER	2.99	2.81	2.95	2.79	3.05	2.62	2.96	2.66
375G CHEESE-CHEDDAR-MEDIUM	--	--	--	4.45	--	4.19	4.29	3.98
525G CORN FLAKES	2.67	--	3.27	--	2.39	3.45	--	1.79
5KG FLOUR	6.29	6.86	--	6.89	6.15	6.29	6.79	5.58
500G MACARONI	1.35	1.39	1.27	--	1.27	1.25	1.35	1.08
454G BREAD-WHITE SLICED	1.04	--	--	--	0.95	0.83	0.89	0.77
1.36KG MARGARINE-BOXED	4.13	--	3.69	3.35	3.07	2.95	--	2.32
1L SALAD/COOKING OIL	3.55	3.65	3.39	3.65	3.36	3.04	3.65	2.69
KG ROUND STEAK-WHOLE BONELESS	8.24	--	9.59	--	9.59	9.66	--	7.23
KG BLADE ROAST-BLADE IN	5.95	5.55	5.69	--	5.77	7.53	5.69	4.58
KG GROUND BEEF-REGULAR	4.05	3.99	4.39	--	4.84	3.32	4.89	1.94
500G BACON-SLICED	4.89	--	4.39	--	4.29	4.24	--	3.68
KG PORK CHOPS-FAMILY PACK	7.50	6.09	5.99	--	7.95	6.98	5.51	5.20
500G SAUSAGES-PORK	3.39	--	3.49	--	3.29	3.39	--	3.09
450G WIENERS-REGULAR	2.94	--	2.29	--	2.34	2.74	--	2.28
340G LUNCHEON MEAT-CANNED	2.37	2.17	2.25	2.35	2.02	1.94	2.35	1.69
KG CHICKEN-WHOLE GR. A	4.99	4.09	4.39	4.25	4.01	3.91	4.62	4.22
213G SALMON-PINK	2.18	2.18	2.05	--	1.95	1.95	--	1.88
1 DOZ EGGS-LG. GR.A	2.07	1.49	1.59	1.89	1.57	1.32	1.57	0.98
KG ORANGES (138'S)	--	--	--	4.86	2.53	1.52	3.29	1.94
KG APPLES	1.93	2.16	2.05	1.55	1.96	1.74	2.19	1.52
398ML PEACHES-CANNED	1.34	1.49	1.42	1.45	1.24	1.19	--	1.02
1.36KG ORANGE JUICE-UNSWEETENED	2.56	--	2.49	--	2.32	2.29	--	2.19
4.54KG POTATOES-RED	2.67	2.90	--	2.59	2.44	2.39	2.79	1.89
HEAD LETTUCE	2.76	4.12	4.17	--	2.18	3.07	2.84	1.96
907G CARROTS-BAG	0.96	1.15	1.09	0.89	0.95	1.09	0.95	0.74
1.36KG ONIONS-COOKING	1.55	--	1.59	--	1.44	1.49	--	0.99
398ML PEAS-CANNED	1.12	1.05	1.09	--	0.95	0.86	1.09	0.76
398ML BAKED BEANS WITH PORK	1.24	1.11	1.13	1.09	--	0.92	0.99	0.89
KG POTATOES-FROZEN	1.95	2.15	1.91	1.79	1.69	1.56	1.89	1.49
225G MACARONI & CHEESE	0.88	0.69	0.86	--	0.80	0.66	0.89	0.59
284ML VEGETABLE SOUP	0.72	0.66	0.63	0.69	0.65	0.61	0.69	0.49
4KG SUGAR-WHITE	4.00	3.65	3.09	3.65	2.86	2.89	3.89	1.86
250ML JAM-STRAWBERRY	2.20	2.18	2.09	1.85	2.15	1.71	2.15	1.68
500G PEANUT BUTTER	2.43	2.79	2.69	2.79	2.45	2.55	--	1.85
170G COFFEE-INSTANT	8.84	6.99	8.95	7.49	6.43	6.37	--	5.39
284ML SOFT DRINKS-CANNED	0.75	0.75	--	0.75	0.70	0.64	0.75	0.55

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CHART 1
FOOD FOR HOME CONSUMPTION
1982 GROUP WEIGHTS

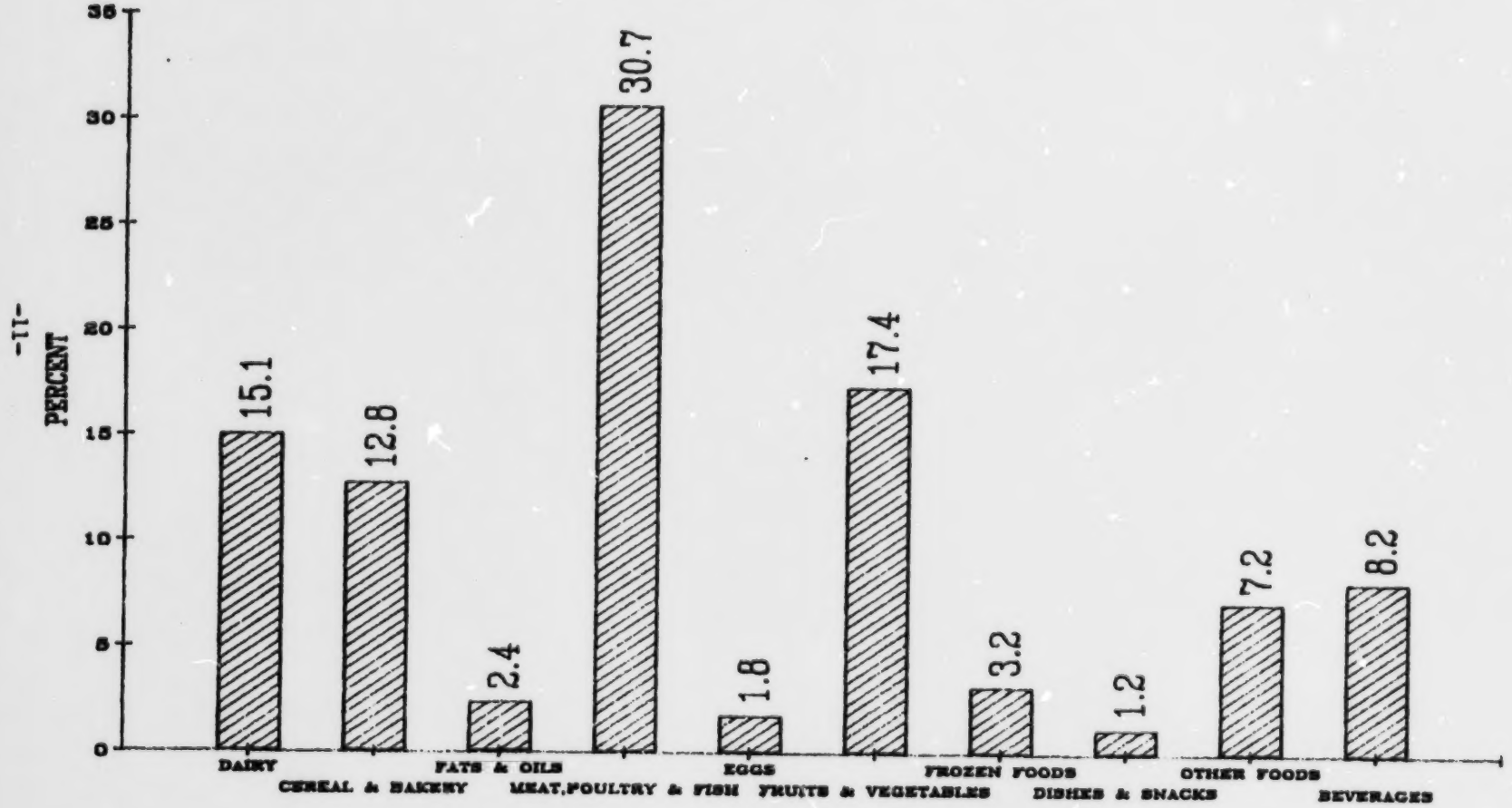

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TABLE 3

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DECEMBER 1985

	BERENS RIVER	BRANDON	CHURCHILL	CRANBERRY PORTAGE	CROSS LAKE	FLIN FLON	GILLAM	GOD'S LAKE NARROWS	GRAND RAPIDS
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DAIRY PRODUCTS	128.4	102.4	141.7	125.0	128.7	117.1	117.6	174.4	122.7
CEREAL & BAKERY PRODUCTS	146.0	101.5	150.9	128.8	123.8	122.6	139.4	186.9	124.6
FATS & OILS	133.2	100.1	138.3	106.6	146.7	119.3	123.2	137.9	117.3
MEAT, POULTRY & FISH	127.1	122.4	139.0	122.4	144.8	128.6	120.1	142.9	140.1
Meat	126.6	127.3	145.0	127.9	148.3	134.6	121.9	146.1	144.7
Poultry	132.3	107.0	115.5	103.5	114.1	106.9	103.1	115.2	106.1
Fish	122.6	106.7	126.3	107.3	164.6	114.0	131.9	161.1	157.2
EGGS	131.5	109.0	144.4	138.2	135.6	135.7	131.5	162.5	140.8
FRUITS & VEGETABLES	176.1	105.9	184.6	126.1	130.9	125.7	155.3	214.3	115.6
Fresh Fruit	208.8	111.4	187.3	137.5	119.1	127.3	143.3	208.6	120.7
Processed Fruit	132.4	100.6	133.5	122.3	128.8	122.3	130.4	166.7	120.8
Fresh Vegetables	169.5	104.8	211.6	111.6	141.8	125.1	182.6	247.8	97.7
Processed Vegetables	134.1	96.6	154.1	133.7	140.7	125.9	142.1	189.4	144.8
FROZEN FOODS	148.0	100.4	137.7	129.4	128.1	122.1	128.3	152.9	118.5
DISHES & SNACKS	142.6	102.1	164.6	140.5	115.8	127.6	141.8	189.8	127.6
OTHER FOODS	138.4	105.8	136.1	128.3	139.9	125.3	131.7	151.9	123.7
BEVERAGES	134.2	104.9	138.6	135.8	130.3	125.6	135.3	155.7	124.3
COMMUNITY INDEX	138.6	110.1	146.9	126.1	135.4	125.1	130.0	165.2	128.4

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TABLE 3: (continued)

FOOD FOR HOME CONSUMPTION
SPATIAL RETAIL PRICE INDICES
FOR SELECTED MANITOBA COMMUNITIES
DECEMBER 1985

	ISLAND LAKE	LEAF RAPIDS	LYNN LAKE	NORWAY HOUSE	SNOW LAKE	SUNDANCE	THE PAS	THOMPSON	WABOWDEN
					WINNIPEG = 100				
DAIRY PRODUCTS	166.1	119.4	127.3	113.2	118.7	116.2	118.4	107.2	120.9
CEREAL & BAKERY PRODUCTS	173.1	135.3	131.4	118.9	129.4	146.0	132.8	108.1	129.7
FATS & OILS	140.3	119.4	119.3	110.9	125.2	115.6	116.3	111.3	122.6
MEAT, POULTRY & FISH	158.8	124.9	123.2	111.2	133.2	124.4	129.6	121.6	138.6
Meat	169.1	128.4	124.6	115.4	141.0	126.6	135.7	128.0	138.4
Poultry	132.3	106.8	124.0	88.5	93.5	107.4	110.7	104.9	
Fish	116.5	125.4	110.8	112.9	132.5	133.9	108.5	95.8	140.1
EGGS	160.4	138.4	127.6	115.6	133.2	129.3	126.2	113.8	134.5
FRUITS & VEGETABLES	229.9	154.1	132.5	135.9	154.2	136.6	124.8	111.7	141.3
Fresh Fruit	243.8	156.7	129.3	147.1	166.6	141.7	130.2	114.1	138.4
Processed Fruit	180.2	134.3	122.9	110.9	118.3	113.3	113.7	108.6	156.5
Fresh Vegetables	239.3	164.0	136.6	134.2	159.6	141.0	124.0	111.2	134.4
Processed Vegetables	211.8	138.6	141.7	130.9	137.2	132.4	121.4	109.0	154.0
FROZEN FOODS	152.7	133.5	127.8	123.5	126.7	118.5	122.7	115.5	165.2
DISHES & SNACKS	183.6	131.9	153.4	113.2	136.7	153.2	135.3	127.9	156.4
OTHER FOODS	169.9	138.6	131.8	125.4	127.5	132.6	126.9	116.6	137.1
BEVERAGES	165.9	140.6	137.3	132.0	138.3	141.6	133.1	115.9	145.3
COMMUNITY INDEX	172.5	132.3	128.8	119.1	133.2	129.7	127.1	115.5	136.5

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TABLE 4

FOOD FOR HOME CONSUMPTION
AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES
FOR SELECTED MANITOBA COMMUNITTIES
DECEMBER 1985

		BRANDON	CHURCHILL	CRANBERRY PORTAGE	CROSS LAKE	FLIN FLON	GILLAM	GOD'S LAKE NARROWS	GRAND RAPIDS	ISLAND LAKE
1L	MILK-HOMOGENIZED	0.89	1.32	--	--	1.02	1.04	1.73	1.10	1.62
454G	BUTTER	2.45	2.85	2.99	2.79	2.79	2.70	3.15	2.75	3.10
375G	CHEESE-CHEDDAR-MEDIUM	4.25	4.63	--	--	5.09	--	--	--	--
525G	CORN FLAKES	--	--	2.19	--	2.24	--	--	--	--
5KG	FLOUR	5.32	6.29	6.59	--	5.89	6.52	--	--	--
500G	MACARONI	1.07	1.64	--	--	1.24	1.28	1.70	1.22	--
454G	BREAD-WHITE SLICED	--	1.19	--	0.78	0.94	--	1.43	--	1.26
1.36KG	MARGARINE-BOXED	2.66	4.15	--	--	3.67	3.67	--	3.58	--
1L	SALAD/COOKING OIL	2.86	--	--	3.73	3.19	--	4.51	3.32	4.91
KG	ROUND STEAK-WHOLE BONELESS	8.91	9.31	7.84	9.18	7.94	7.99	--	9.95	--
KG	BLADE ROAST-BLADE IN	3.88	4.99	--	5.98	6.29	--	6.62	--	7.79
KG	GROUND BEEF-REGULAR	3.43	5.16	3.99	5.49	4.08	--	3.28	4.96	7.30
500G	BACON-SLICED	3.43	3.29	3.79	--	3.67	--	--	2.88	4.50
KG	PORK CHOPS-FAMILY PACK	5.56	5.39	4.99	5.98	4.39	--	--	--	--
500G	SAUSAGES-PORK	3.09	2.79	3.60	--	--	--	--	--	--
454G	WEINNERS-REGULAR	2.49	--	2.44	--	2.69	--	--	--	--
340G	LUNCHEON MEAT-CANNED	1.59	2.39	2.27	2.42	2.31	2.10	2.75	--	2.72
KG	CHICKEN-WHOLE GR.A	3.97	4.76	3.89	3.89	4.02	4.30	3.77	--	4.98
220G	SALMON-PINK	1.93	--	2.03	--	2.03	--	--	2.95	--
1 DOZ	EGGS-LG. GR.A	1.28	1.72	1.66	1.62	1.59	1.54	1.97	1.60	1.94
KG	ORANGES (138'S)	1.74	3.73	--	--	--	1.47	--	--	--
KG	APPLES	1.74	2.40	1.98	1.95	1.63	1.89	2.75	--	--
398ML	PEACHES-CANNED	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1.36KG	ORANGE JUICE-UNSWEETENED	--	2.67	2.29	--	--	--	--	--	--
4.54KG	POTATOES-RED	1.59	4.20	1.69	2.55	2.44	3.79	5.20	1.69	4.94
HEAD	LETTUCE	1.69	3.05	1.18	1.51	1.74	2.29	2.05	1.35	--
907G	CARROTS-BAG	0.79	1.46	0.74	1.04	0.79	1.35	1.79	0.64	2.15
1.36KG	ONIONS-COOKING	0.59	--	0.89	--	0.89	--	--	--	--
398ML	PEAS-CANNED	0.76	--	--	1.15	1.00	1.07	1.55	1.07	--
398ML	BAKED BEANS WITH PORK	0.79	1.28	1.20	1.18	1.05	1.21	1.67	1.17	1.68
1KG	POTATOES-FROZEN	1.66	2.29	--	--	1.64	2.84	1.85	1.85	--
225G	MACARONI & CHEESE	0.54	0.83	0.81	0.85	0.89	0.86	0.99	0.82	0.90
284ML	VEGETABLE SOUP	0.53	0.71	0.63	--	0.66	0.86	0.70	0.64	1.12
4KG	SUGAR-WHITE	2.06	3.99	2.94	2.83	2.91	2.87	3.96	2.57	3.96
750ML	JAM-STRAWBERRY	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
500G	PEANUT BUTTER	1.96	2.73	2.36	2.47	2.32	--	3.14	--	--
170G	COFFEE-INSTANT	--	--	--	6.99	--	--	--	--	--
284ML	SOFT DRINKS-CANNED	0.50	0.73	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.85	0.65	0.90

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TABLE 4: (continued)

FOOD FOR HOME CONSUMPTION
AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES
FOR SELECTED MANITOBA COMMUNITIES
DECEMBER 1985

		LEAF RAPIDS	LYNN LAKE	NORWAY HOUSE	SNOW LAKE	SUNDANCE	THE PAS	THOMPSON	WABOWDEN	WINNIPEG
1L	MILK-HOMOGENIZED	1.06	1.13	--	1.02	0.99	1.05	0.94	1.02	0.89
454G	BUTTER	3.05	2.89	--	2.79	--	2.77	2.53	2.87	2.19
375G	CHEESE-CHEDDAR-MEDIUM	--	--	3.99	--	4.15	4.61	3.93	--	3.98
525G	CORN FLAKES	--	--	--	2.09	--	--	2.15	--	1.75
5KG	FLOUR	6.44	6.29	6.85	--	6.05	6.60	5.66	6.85	4.89
500G	MACARONI	1.26	1.27	1.19	1.25	--	1.23	1.19	1.29	1.04
454G	BREAD-WHITE SLICED	1.05	0.95	0.78	0.95	1.09	0.87	0.75	0.91	0.73
1.36KG	MARGARINE-BOXED	--	3.71	--	3.69	2.98	3.52	3.19	--	2.63
1L	SALAD/COOKING OIL	3.44	3.45	3.59	3.24	3.59	3.31	2.88	3.71	3.04
KG	ROUND STEAK-WHOLE BONELESS	8.59	7.50	7.69	9.39	8.80	9.20	8.79	--	7.67
KG	BLADE ROAST-BLADE IN	4.99	5.60	5.69	5.49	5.49	6.08	4.98	5.27	3.81
KG	GROUND BEEF-REGULAR	3.56	4.15	3.99	4.39	--	4.71	3.53	4.59	2.15
500G	BACON-SLICED	--	3.74	--	3.59	--	3.54	3.43	--	2.88
KG	PORK CHOPS-FAMILY PACK	5.23	--	4.95	6.09	5.49	6.69	5.71	5.69	5.02
500G	SAUSAGES-PORK	--	--	--	--	--	3.04	--	--	2.10
454G	WEINNERS-REGULAR	--	2.64	--	2.59	--	2.44	2.49	--	1.91
340G	LUNCHEON MEAT-CANNED	2.22	2.37	2.17	2.29	2.39	2.10	1.78	2.42	1.51
KG	CHICKEN-WHOLE GR.A	3.79	4.40	4.19	3.99	4.08	4.17	3.71	--	3.85
220G	SALMON-PINK	--	2.18	--	2.05	--	2.07	1.95	--	1.88
1 DOZ	EGGS-LG. GR.A	1.65	1.60	1.49	1.59	1.55	1.52	1.34	1.61	1.20
KG	ORANGES (138'S)	--	--	1.91	--	--	1.65	1.65	--	1.50
KG	APPLES	2.18	1.92	1.89	1.99	1.49	2.09	1.41	2.16	1.72
398ML	PEACHES-CANNED	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
1.36KG	ORANGE JUICE-UNSWEETENED	--	2.47	2.42	2.19	--	2.29	2.29	--	2.19
4.54KG	POTATOES-RED	3.29	2.39	2.05	2.29	1.99	1.59	1.59	--	1.49
HEAD	LETTUCE	1.79	1.37	--	2.39	1.44	2.14	1.74	--	1.59
907G	CARROTS-BAG	0.99	0.89	--	1.25	1.09	0.80	0.79	0.83	0.71
1.36KG	ONIONS-COOKING	2.07	1.09	--	1.99	--	0.82	0.75	--	0.65
398ML	PEAS-CANNED	1.11	1.12	1.05	1.09	--	1.03	0.84	1.15	0.89
398ML	BAKED BEANS WITH PORK	1.20	1.21	0.85	1.16	1.15	1.10	0.91	1.17	0.81
1KG	POTATOES-FROZEN	2.09	2.05	--	1.99	1.95	1.82	1.78	--	--
225G	MACARONI & CHEESE	0.82	0.85	0.79	0.79	0.85	0.75	0.67	0.85	0.58
284ML	VEGETABLE SOUP	0.79	0.68	0.65	0.65	0.69	0.68	0.58	0.68	0.48
4KG	SUGAR-WHITE	4.72	3.13	3.16	3.29	2.89	2.76	2.88	--	2.00
750ML	JAM-STRAWBERRY	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
500G	PEANUT BUTTER	2.38	2.43	2.25	--	2.35	2.22	2.11	2.47	1.94
170G	COFFEE-INSTANT	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5.99
284ML	SOFT DRINKS-CANNED	0.75	0.72	0.60	0.65	0.75	0.65	0.64	0.70	0.50

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